

***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

Applicant: Markus FLIK et al.  
Title: DEVICE FOR MULTI-STAGE HEAT EXCHANGE AND METHOD FOR  
PRODUCING ONE SUCH DEVICE  
Appl. No.: 10/561,975  
Filing Date: 12/22/2005  
Examiner: Unassigned  
Art Unit: 3753  
Confirmation No. 1615

**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.115**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: